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Dear Chris

I would refer to your confirmation no. 8982 in connection with title: Drinking straw and vessel equipment with the same.

Firstly please receive a copy of certified published UK patent as requested.

I am somewhat confused by your comments that claims 1-7, 8-17 and 19 are classed as improper according to USA recognition, although quite legitimate for the UK patent office. A leading London patent agent wrote my patent and subsequent claims.

Please note that in claim 2 the reference made to a straw having a bore defined within a wall member relates to a dividing wall that runs down the centre of the straw bore as described in drawing 8/8 fig 754, thus creating two semi circular bores extending the length of straw.

I agree that claim 18 is to be rejected due to an earlier disclosure for a vessel having a straw and bulkhead.

Please could you re-examine my application and take my comments and explanation into consideration?

Yours sincerely


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